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Get on Board the Reading and Remembrance Project 2006

[Pickering] The Durham West Art Centre's provincial Reading and Remembrance project is taking off and there's still time to take part.

There are nearly 20,000 students, MPs, mayors and other dignitaries from across the province signed up. Teachers can sign up their classrooms or schools to join the groundswell of support for Canada's veterans.

When a young person reads to remember the values for which Canadians fought and continue to fight, he or she reinforces Canada's democratic values.

Look who's already committed to reading with Ontario's young people on Nov 10 at 2:10 p.m.: MP Mark Holland of Ajax-Pickering in whose riding this project originated; MP Jack Layton, leader of Canada's New Democratic Party and MP Ruby Dhalla of Brampton-Springdale in one of Ontario's most multicultural ridings. The Mayors participating hail from Pickering, Dryden, Edwardsburgh/Cardinal and North Bay to Wellesley, Timmins, Smith Falls, Dubreuilville and Oshawa.

Schools and elected officials may sign up at www.dwac.ca.

With Canada's World War II veterans now mostly in their 80's, it's time for the younger generations to 'take up the torch' that these veterans are willing to pass on to them. Thanks to the teachers who are signing up to help with this process.

With the support of the Canada Remembers Project of Veterans Affairs Canada and Ontario Power Generation, the Durham West Arts Centre is able to mail a specially-designed poster to all participating schools.

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For a listing of what schools are participating and their special guest please check <http://dwac.ca/press/readingRemembranceHonourRoll.html>